

AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

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Background

Comprehensive Plan policy (since 2003)

- Pol. HS 1.21: The City should create a Demonstration Housing Program to test innovative residential designs that would encourage affordable housing production. The pilot program should test alternative development standards that increase the diversity of housing types and levels of affordability
- Developers have approached the City with potential project/ projects
- Missing middle is currently being evaluated by the Commission
- Provide an opportunity to evaluate barriers
- City of Kirkland's interim ordinance

Purpose of the Interim ordinance and Demonstration Projects

- To promote housing affordability by encouraging smaller homes;
- To increase the housing supply and housing style choices in ways that are compatible with existing single-family communities;
- Provide housing types that respond to changing household sizes and ages
- Increase the variety of housing types available for smaller households;
- Provide opportunities for small detached and attached dwelling units within an existing neighborhood;
- Provide opportunities for diverse affordable and high quality infill development; and
- To regulate affordable housing projects through a permanent ordinance.

HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IN BURIEN







Median Sale Price

\$424,600 (Zillow, Nov. 2018)

Median Rent \$2100 (Apt. Insights, 2018)

AMI	Cost-Burdened Households	Severely Cost- Burdened Households	All Cost-Burdened Households
0-30% AMI	600	2365	2965
>30-50% AMI	1380	690	2070
>50-80% AMI	935	190	1125
>80-100% AMI	505	175	680
+100 % AMI	505	60	565
All Incomes	3925	3480	7405

7,405 Households (2 in 5) in Burien are Cost-Burdened.

Interim Ordinance

- Zones in which these projects would be allowed?
 - Specific zones or citywide: Citywide
- Timeframe: 3 years
- Total number of projects allowed: 4
- Housing types allowed? (Tiny homes/ microhousing units?)
- Separation distance from other projects 1,500 ft vs 3,000?
- Income level: 50% AMI and under? Permanent Supportive Housing
- Process: Planning Commission recommend to Council based on criteria
- Additional criteria ?

Planning Commission requests

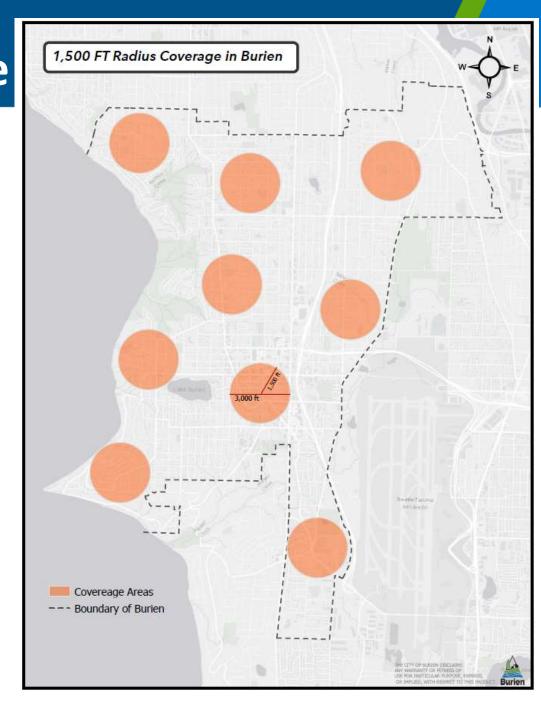
- Data from affordable housing projects
- Examples of affordable housing projects

AFFORDABLE HOUSING EXAMPLES

Figure 11: Progress toward Affordable Housing Targets, 1993–2008

	Low-Income Housing (Incomes <50% of Median)			Moderate-Income Housing (Incomes 50-80% of Median)		
	Target Annual Average	Actual Average	Actual Total	Target Annual Average	Actual Average	Actual Total
Beaux Arts	0	0	0	0	1	0
Bellevue	110	54	872	78	107	1,713
Bothell	19	6	90	13	51	708
Clyde Hill	0.2	0.2	2.1	0.2	0.3	4.0
Hunts Point	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Issaquah	44	11	181	31	17	268
Kenmore	25	11	112	18	16	158
Kirkland	60	13	200	42	25	399
Medina	0.3	0.2	2.1	0.2	0.1	1.2
Mercer Island	16	4	59	11	14	214
Newcastle	9	2	20	7	1	11
Redmond	99	18	288	70	51	811
Sammamish	42	1	6	30	0	0
Woodinville	20	5	71	14	13	187
Yarrow Point	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0
TOTAL Pct of Annual Avg	445	127 28%	1,904	315	296 94%	4,474

Separation Distance



Next Steps

- Additional information for the Commission to discuss the ordinance?
- Public Hearing tentatively scheduled for September 25

Questions?

